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Application of:	Ding *et al.*	Confirmation No.:	3400
Serial No.:	10/679,057	Art Unit:	1762
Filed:	October 3, 2003	Examiner:	Michener, Jennifer Kolb
For:	MEDICAL DEVICES WITH POROUS SURFACE FOR CONTROLLED DRUG RELEASE AND METHOD OF MAKING THE SAME	Attorney Docket No: CAM No.:	10177-239-999 008563-999236

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the appeal pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 134 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 41.35 and 41.37 from a final rejection mailed December 13, 2005 for which a Notice of Appeal was filed on June 5, 2006, be extended for a period of five (5) months from August 5, 2006 up to and including, January 5, 2007.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be $2,160.00. Please charge the required fee to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: January 5, 2007

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